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ACTION RE LOWER GRADE CATTLE BRINGS RELIEF

OTTAWA POLICY IN ENTERING MARKET IS 'SALVAGE' PLAN

"Misfits" on Market Would
Tend to Depress Prices
for Better Quality

OATS POOL CHEQUES OUT

Details of Final Accounting
re Wheat, Oats and
Barley Pools

By M. McDUGALL, Press Gallery
Leader Correspondent

OTTAWA, October 15th. — The action of the Agricultural Department here in entering the market and buying some low grade cattle is based on simple common sense.

At this time, it is explained here, a considerable number of low grade and "misfit" cattle are sent to market. It is a "salvage" proposition.

Obtained Expected Results

These cattle always come into market in large numbers before winter sets in. High prices are not expected or received for them, but with these animals on the market, prices even for the better quality tend to be depressed. Through the Department's action in receiving a certain quantity of the low grade stock it was intended that the pressure should be relieved, and this has in fact, it is stated, been the result.

The lowering of the immediate price to \$23 is intended as an incentive to hold cattle back for the winter, and it is having an advantageous effect. The cattle will be in much more finished shape, when in April the price is raised again to \$25.

Running into Competitive U.S. Prices
The sale of New Zealand beef in
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(1) Aerial view of farm of the J. H. Schmaltz Master Farm Family, Beiseker, showing portion of shelter-belts which protect farmstead and fields. Directly south of residence is poultry house; in the long low building on its left, machinery is stored and repaired. Left of it is the pig barn, while the other building is the cattle barn.

(2) John Lambert Master Farm Family, Manning, Peace River district. L. to R., front: Gail, 10 years of age; Mr. Lambert; Mrs. Lambert; Thelma, 14; Ivan, 6; back, Dorothy, 12; Helen, 17; Charlie, 15.

(3) E. R. Lewis Master Farm Family, Winterburn. L. to R. Jack, 20; Mr. Lewis; Carol, 10; Mrs. Lewis; Beth, 18.

(4) John Skryplitsky, Royal Park, E., of Mundare. Front; Vicky, 22; Mr. Skryplitsky; Mary-Jane, 6; Mrs. Skryplitsky; Zonia, 17; back, Archie, 16; Walter, 20.

J. F. Cole and J. H. Schmaltz Master Farm Families, page 3 and 7.

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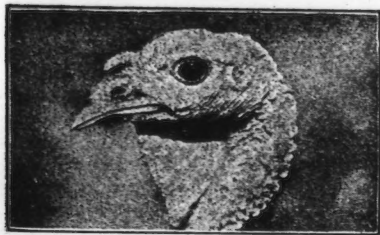


Central Alberta Dairy Pool Section

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Once Again It's Time to Think About Turkeys



THE time is here again when the good farm wife starts to try and figure out how much her turkey crop is going to bring, and she usually does a lot of mental shopping with the expected returns.

We on our part usually try to give some idea as to what the prospects are for a satisfactory return for the care you have given your birds.

Our Information to Date

Our information to date shows that Eastern Canada, British Columbia (our best customers in former years) and the U.S.A., have larger than usual turkey flocks of their own, and it is very probable that they will not be buying as many birds from Alberta as they have done in other years. To date buyers are offering somewhat lower prices than last year, and it looks as though the lower prices will apply to turkeys bought from now on.

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Good Advice for Turkey Raisers

Do not sell

your turkeys until the first week in December.

Turkeys at this time

of the year are seldom finished as regards flesh and they are almost sure to be pin-feathery.

Buyers

are not at all interested in early killed birds for this reason.

If you insist

on selling you must be prepared to take a lower price.

Feeding your birds

a good fattening feed from now until December will make you money.

Don't forget

your birds from hatching time until now have been growing — from now on they start to put on that money-making flesh and finish — if properly fed.

For any further information

do not hesitate to consult the local manager of the Central Alberta Dairy Pool — there's a branch near to you. In the South we operate the City Dairy in Lethbridge.

Central Alberta Dairy Pool

Nevertheless, we believe that prices this year will be at a level which will show satisfactory returns for well fleshed and finished birds of medium weight.

We are on a consumers' market and the consumer is choosy. He will pay top prices for quality, but is indifferent to products of inferior grade.

The spread between good quality and not so good quality is widening very noticeably. For instance, on eggs there is a 4c per dozen spread between A Large and A Medium and the spread between A Large and B eggs is 20c.

Poultry shows the same trend — there is now 8c per lb. spread between A and B chickens instead of the usual 1c to 2c spread.

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To Get Top Results

To get top results, keep your birds as closely confined as possible. Put weight on with the suggested feed and prevent birds from running it off.

When you ship to the C.A.D.P. say "Rail Grade Please", and you will be pleased.

Five Alberta Farm Families Win Awards

ANNOUNCEMENT of the names of the winners of the Master Farm Family awards for 1952 were made in Edmonton this week by Hon. David Ure, Minister of Agriculture. The winners are: E. R. Lewis Family, Stony Plain; John Lambert Family, Manning; John Skrypitsky Family, Mundare; J. H. Schmaltz Family, Beiseker; Jesse Cole Family, Clive.



JESSE COLE FAMILY.—Jesse Cole Master Farm Family are shown on the steps of their home. Left to right (front row) are Mr. Cole; Margaret, 7; and Mrs. Cole. The sons are Allan, 14 (left) and Ronald, 18. Another son, Gerald a 22-year-old agricultural student at the University of Alberta, was absent when the photo was taken.

Objectives Stated

"The families we are honoring this year are outstanding for their achievements in agriculture, home-making and citizenship," stated Mr. Ure, in making the announcement. The main purpose of the awards, he pointed out, is "to provide Alberta farmers with a practical demonstration of how a family can achieve success in farming and living with each other and their community. The program is intended to emphasize the advantages of the farming vocation and the dignity and satisfaction of farm life. Through the program, farm youth gains a clear

understanding of the high ideals of agriculture and learns of the opportunities offered in agriculture."

Fourth Group Honored

The above families are the fourth group to be honored in this manner. Each family receives an award of \$1,000, an engraved plaque and a name plate for the farm entrance.

It is provided that candidates must be Canadian citizens who have operated a farm either as owner or lessee for 20 consecutive years. At least three neighbors must nominate a family. Selections are made on a regional basis, and a Provincial committee — consisting of a working farmer, a technical agriculturist, a home economist, a housewife and a representative of the experimental farms — confirms the selections. Eighty-seven factors are taken into consideration.

The Minister congratulated the winners of the awards and the other families whose nomination, he stressed, was in itself, a great honor and proof of the high regard in which they were held in the community. Nominations totalled 32.

Lambert Master Farm Family

From a tiny homestead gouged from the wilderness in 1931, the John D. Lambert farm family has built up a modern farm in the Manning district of the Peace River country.

Coming from his father's home in Austen, Man., to the "dry area" of Alberta in 1927 (where he first met the future Mrs. Lambert at Oyen), he remained there as a farm hand until 1931, when the Alberta Government paid freighting costs to anyone who wished to move to a new area. Equipped with horses, sleigh and meagre equipment, he and a friend made a three-day trip from Grimshaw in mid-winter to their homesteads. Mr. Lambert had a purebred Short-horn bull and a purebred Yorkshire sow, which he had taken in wages. Building a log barn for the stock and a dugout in a creek bank for themselves, they killed moose for food the

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first winter. In spring nine acres were sown for Mr. Lambert's first crop, the purebred bull being used for breaking. From the grey wooded soil the crop was poor.

Transformation of 21 Years

That was 21 years ago. Today the Lamberts farm, scientifically and productively, a section and a quarter. Besides Mr. and Mrs. Lambert there are six members of the family; the eldest, Helen, 17, being in her second year at Fairview School of Agriculture and Home Economics. Charlie, invaluable on the farm, is 15, and attends school, as do the younger

children, Thelma, Dorothy, Gail and Ivan. Mr. Lambert is vice-president of the Battle River Agricultural Society, director of the Manning Co-op, and a director of the local missionary church, while Mrs. Lambert, also a member of the agricultural society, takes an active part in local missionary work.

About 400 acres are under cultivation. Wheat is the main crop, with barley, alfalfa, oats. By good farm practices, use of sweet clover, grasses and fertilizers, including rotations, the soil is kept at a high rate of production.

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UNITY GIVES STRENGTH

Alone, the farmer is about the most helpless individual in the whole community. United with his fellow farmers in strong organizations, the farmer group can be the most powerful.

Farmers must learn to organize and gain strength. They should give their active and loyal support to their own farm organizations. They should also patronize Alberta's many useful farmer co-operatives.

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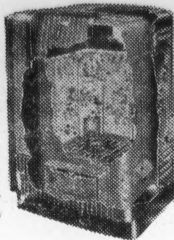
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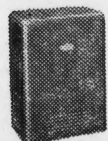
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MASTER FARM FAMILIES

To the five Master Farm Families who are the recipients of this year's awards we extend our congratulations.

They are representative of a great body of farm people in many communities who have been builders of our agricultural industry and have won success the hard way. The neighbors of the families who have been chosen played an important role in their selection, and are honored in the recognition which has been given them.

Personal success and family well-being do not invariably result from the efforts of men and women who give service of the highest order to their communities, but ungrudging praise will be given by all to those who have deserved and won recognition in these awards.

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MORE ABOUT DUCKS AND FARMERS

"Reading your editorial reference to 'Ducks and the Farmers' in your issue of October 3rd," wrote E. S. Russenholt of Winnipeg in a letter which we received a few days ago, "I thought you might be interested in the views of an old hunter and an evangelist of conservation."

Enclosed was a copy of a broadcast entitled "Duck Damage to Grain Crops," which Mr. Russenholt gave recently over a Manitoba station. It is an examination of the problem in its many aspects, and is of such great interest that we think our readers will be glad of an opportunity to read the presentation in full. We print it as a "guest editorial".

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Mr. Russenholt was born in Western Canada, and conservation and agriculture have been his special interests throughout a very active life. He was at one time a cartoonist for the agricultural press. He served as Secretary-Manager of "Ducks Unlimited" for several years, and he has addressed many farmers' conventions in Western Canada. Today he is engaged in the Publicity Department of the Canadian Wheat Pool.

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"When a farmer produces grain for the benefit of our whole economy, and his grain is damaged by ducks," Mr. Russenholt contends, "that farmer's loss should be indemnified in full." He proposes the adoption of a plan of insurance to which contributions should be made by the Government of Canada and the Governments of the Provinces; by farmers who may choose to protect themselves in this manner, and by the hunters, whose share, he suggests, might be provided by the payment of an additional amount for permits to hunt ducks. As most of the ducks are shot by hunters in the United States, he thinks they should pay their share of these premiums, and he believes they would be ready to do so.

Mr. Russenholt's presentation will no doubt give rise to a good deal of discussion among farmers who know from unhappy experience how heavy a toll ducks can levy on their crops in some seasons. It is with this end in view that it is published.

A THOUGHT FOR HARVEST

And now the days of harvest are fulfilled,
And safely home the precious cargo borne.
The stubbled fields, of golden glory shorn,
Proclaim the season's haunting tears now stilled,
The eager freighters, weighted down with grain,
By day and night to far-flung markets ply,
But, by the ancient law of loss and gain,
The poor, however needy, may not buy.
Where hunger hovers peace can not be bred,
Nor can war's flame and fury peace compel.
Only a common table, amply spread,
The fires of world unrest will ever quell.
Want keeps the human spirit deaf and blind
To doctrines that would fortify the mind.

ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON

DUCK DAMAGE TO GRAIN CROPS

By E. S. RusSENHOLT

This question of damage to grain crops by waterfowl has two sides. On the one side are the humans; on the other, the ducks. Now, the people concerned can speak for themselves — or they can enlist able advocates. So I am going to speak from the duck's point of view.

When ducks settle on farm fields they eat some grain — but they destroy far more. This can be a real problem. Sometimes — in some places — it can be a disaster. Farmers who get hit one year may not suffer again for years. Some never do.

The amount of damage done by ducks — and the localities where they do it — depend on the weather, on the grain crop, and on the duck crop. Last year, in many localities, ducks did considerable damage because the grain lay in swaths for many weeks due to wet weather; and, during those weeks, the ducks flocked for southward migration. Again, this fall, the ducks settled on the grain fields in many farm neighborhoods; because, as old-timers tell us, "Lots of ducks — lots of wheat."

Bulk Produced in Canadian West

The bulk of North America's ducks are produced in our Canadian West. Years ago, information was that (perhaps) 25 per cent were hatched on our Farmlands, and 75 per cent in the Northland beyond. Observation soon taught, however, that duck population is not static. Ducks move. For instance, one of the biggest waterfowl hatcheries is the delta at the West end of Lake Athabasca. In the fall of 1937, a survey indicated some 9 million ducks on the Athabasca Delta. The following year the Delta was flooded, and only 10 per cent as many ducks stayed there to nest. Vast numbers went somewhere else to raise their broods. In 1939, the estimated population was away up again — to 13 million.

So, ducks are mobile. As they migrate north in spring, the females seem to head for the spot where they were born (and, of course, the drakes follow along). But they will fly 100 miles — 1,000 miles — to settle where waters promise good conditions for raising a crop.

Fly North When Farmlands Dry

When our Farmlands are dry in the spring most ducks fly on, down to the Northland, to produce that year's crop. When spring waters are plentiful over the Farmlands, more ducks settle on prairie ponds — leaving fewer to go down North. In a year when shallow waters on our Farmlands wither in mid-summer, a great part of the prairie hatch may be destroyed by drought; and the duck crop must come from the Northland. That fall, there will be fewer ducks in the Farmlands, until the migration comes through from the North. And that fall we will have short grain crops in many neighborhoods.

In years when waters are plentiful on our Farmlands in spring — and prairie ponds are replenished by good summer rains, so that they carry through until the new duck crop is on the wing — in those years we have great numbers of nesting ducks producing a big crop on the Farmlands. And in such years we have big grain crops, too.

This seems to be the general pattern. But there is so much yet to be learned about wildlife, including ducks, that no person can speak with certainty.

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Returns from Britain



After spending the past six months in Britain, in practical work on farms and in travel and study of British farming methods, as a Nuffield Scholar, Bruce Ellis (above) returned to Canada a week or so ago, and after a short stay in Toronto will be back at his home at Hubalta, near Calgary, next Tuesday, October 21st. We hope to publish his comments on experiences overseas at a later date.

Mr. Ellis was last year's President of the Junior branch of the Farmers' Union of Alberta. Two Nuffield Scholarships in agriculture are awarded every year, one for the East and one for the West. The First Nuffield Scholarship for the West was won last year by another former President of the junior organization, Orrin Hart of Claresholm.

Albertans and the organized farmers of the Province in particular have reason to be proud of the fact that these scholarships for Western Canada have been won in succeeding years by two of their young members.

DUCK DAMAGE TO CROPS

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Meaning of Conservation

Today we hear a lot about "conservation". Conservation is the use of all our resources of land and water for the greatest good of the greatest number of people, over the longest time. As we develop better use of our lands — and bring our waters under fuller management for power, navigation, fish, forests and irrigation — we will produce more wheat, more meat, more total wealth, including more waterfowl. And I think that is all to the good.

A Canada that provides good hunting and fishing for more Canadians is far better able to meet attacks and to defeat aggression from whatever source. Saboteurs of our free national spirit just don't fit into canoe trips and hunting lodges.

Some want to protect our grain by exterminating our waterfowl. They overlook the fact that we have 30-odd species of ducks. Many of these are diving ducks that don't eat grain. It is rare, for instance, to see a Canvasback in a grain field. The ducks that do eat — and destroy — grain, are mostly Mallards and Pintails. These are the most numerous of all the duck species.

Damage When Grain in Swath

No farmer kicks about ducks on his fields AFTER he has threshed the grain. The damage is done when the grain is lying in the swath. About the time we start to swath our grain, Nature starts the ducks flocking together by species — getting ready for their long trek south for the winter.

To see such flocks come wheeling through the sunset from neighboring waters is a sight never forgotten. But, when they land on a swathed field those flocks guzzle some grain, and trample and destroy far more. If

Two Convention Speakers

R. W. Milner, Federal Transport Controller, and R. Chapman, president of the Montana Farmers' Union, have been invited to address the F.U.A. Convention, to be held in Edmonton in the week beginning December 8th.

Shelterbelts May Be Damaged by Rabbits

INDIAN HEAD, Sask. — Falling measures to prevent it, shelterbelts may be severely damaged by rabbits during the winter and early spring, warns John Walker, superintendent of the Forestry Nursery Station here. He recommends control of the rabbit population; wrapping of valuable young trees with sacking before winter; or, protection of trees with rabbit-proof fence. Provision of alternative food supplies for the rabbits may also be resorted to. Caragana, boxelder and spruce are less susceptible to attack than most other species, states Mr. Walker.

swaths are threshed quickly, duck damage is localized. When wet weather delays threshing, ducks can do a lot of damage to swathed fields. And when your banker calls the loan he has advanced to you... it doesn't help to explain that the damaged field was "de-ducked" from the crop.

There is a mounting tide of discussion and study by organized farmers, federated hunters and government officials. So far, action has concentrated on scaring the ducks away from swathed fields. As usual, when enough people get "het up" about an issue, we can expect effective action. It is sure that methods will be worked out for scaring a lot of ducks from a lot of fields. But, — the ducks still must eat. And where our waters are brought under fuller management to produce bigger farm crops, more ducks will be produced — and some of them will eat and destroy grain on some farm fields, somewhere.

Now, I believe it is fundamental that when a farmer produces grain for the benefit of our whole economy, and his grain is damaged by ducks (which, likewise, are managed to benefit the entire community) that farmer's loss should be indemnified in full. I believe, further, that the farmer who suffers crop damage from ducks can be indemnified for such loss by the simple, proved method of insurance. (Just as he can be indemnified for loss from hail or any similar hazard).

As in all insurance, so in this case: the best insurance is to prevent the loss; and all parties interested in grain production and duck production must co-operate persistently to minimize loss of grain by ducks. Where loss does occur, it can be indemnified by insurance.

Apportioning Insurance Cost

The cost of this insurance should be met by all who benefit. (In this case from duck production and grain protection). That is: premiums adequate to indemnify all losses of grain from duck damage should be paid by: first, the Government of Canada and the Governments of the Provinces — who are the trustees of our wildlife resources; second, by those farmers who choose to protect themselves with such insurance; and, third, by the hunters.

To provide their share of the premiums, hunters (including those of us who are farmers) might pay an additional amount for the permit to hunt ducks. Visiting hunters should also contribute.

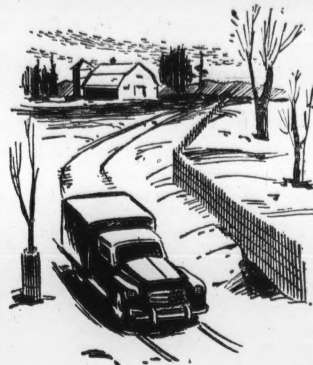
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ing them as I do, I believe they would be ready to do just that. For 15 years, thousands of United States hunters have contributed substantial sums of cash, through Ducks Unlimited, for the specific purpose of helping increase duck production in our Canadian West. Adequate sharing in premiums to provide insurance against duck damage to grain crops will be a supreme investment in increasing the production of ducks... with the goodwill and co-operation of the farmers whose grain feeds at least some of the ducks.

Where Greatest Advance Is Possible

And, speaking a final word from the duck's point of view; the greatest advance in reducing duck damage to grain crops grown by farmers — and putting more ducks on the wing for hunters — is in fuller conservation of the vast potential of our Northland, embracing development of land-and-water blocks to produce and feed multiplied crops of wildlife, including ducks.

Scaring ducks from swathed grain

Essay Contest for Pupils

Prizes total \$1,500, and closing date is December 23rd, in the essay contest being sponsored by the Alberta Tuberculosis Association, for pupils in Alberta Schools, Grades seven to twelve.

Contest Entries Near Peak

Although only two of the three Prairie Provinces are taking part in this year's National Barley Contest, entries are near the peak of former years. There have been 1,093 entries, 581 from Alberta and 512 from Manitoba. The Contest is sponsored, for the seventh consecutive year, by the brewing and malting industry, which also provides scholarships in six Canadian universities for barley research.

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Jesse Cole Family
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The purpose of the Master Farm Family program is to find and honor those who have achieved notable progress in farming, home-making and citizenship, and who, by their example, are encouraging interest in farming as a way of life. The Department of Agriculture is indeed proud and gratified with the high standard of attainment among the farm citizens of Alberta as revealed by the Master Farm Family program.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

GOVERNMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

Hon. DAVID URE, Minister

O. S. LONGMAN, Deputy Minister

MASTER FARM FAMILIES (Continued from Page 3)

tivity. Mr. Lambert has 38 good quality Shorthorns, six purebreds, as well as other stock. A good line of farm equipment, including two tractors, is carried. The home is a modern frame structure, in fine condition, inside and out. Mrs. Lambert makes preserves in large quantities from the wide variety of wild fruits. The mod-

ern household equipment has power from a 32-volt motor plant. Charlie has won many distinctions in junior club work and Dorothy is already doing well in this field. All are lovers of the farm.

Skrypitsky Master Farm Family

The John Skrypitsky family consists of father, mother, two sons and three daughters, one of them married. The

others work with their parents, the younger ones after school and on holidays, to carry on mixed farming operations on a section of land in the Royal Park District. They grow Thatcher wheat, Victory oats and registered barley; they produce their own vegetables and small fruits, honey, chickens, eggs, butter, milk and cream. The farm carries five purebred Hereford cows and 36 grade cattle, as

well as Yorkshire hogs and Percheron horses. There is a full line of up-to-date machinery, including two tractors, tiller, threshing machine.

The Skrypitsky family live in a fine, new house, with electrically-equipped kitchen, and the most modern of furnaces. There is a lawn with shrubs and flower beds, and trees surround the whole farmstead.

Mr. and Mrs. Skrypitsky were mar-



J. H. SCHMALZ FAMILY—The Schmalz Master Farm Family. Front row (left to right); Lima; J. H. (Joe) Schmalz; Mrs. Schmalz; Stanley of Calgary; (back row) Norman; Leonard, of Calgary, a T.C.A. Pilot; Gregory; and Clarence.

ried and started their farm in 1929; the land was overrun with weeds, and the first yields were poor. By cultivation and by chemicals the weeds have been eliminated; the soil has been built up until last year it produced 96 bushels of oats to the acre, 43 of wheat and 66 of barley.

Free-of Debt

The first quarter section of land was free of debt before the second was added. Mr. Skryptsky's policy has always been "buy a little, pay it off, then buy a little more."

Mr. Skryptsky belongs to the U.G.G., the F.U.A., the local rural electrification association, the Hereford Breeders' Association, Mundare Seed Cleaning Association, the Mundare Co-op store and the C.C.I.L.; he holds, or has held office in many of these organizations. He is a member of the Roman Catholic Church and of the Elks Club. His wife belongs to the Catholic Womens' League, the F.W.U.A., and the U.G.G.

Both Vicky, the married daughter, and 20-year-old Walter are graduates of Vermilion School of Agriculture. Zonia, who is 17, Archie, 16, and Mary-Jane, 6, all go to school at Mundare. Archie plans to take an agricultural course at Vermilion later. All are musical; all play mandolin and guitar, while Zonia also plays the accordion. And the elder girls have taken top honors for singing at school festivals.

Lewis Master Farm Family

Growing certified seed potatoes on his "Green Acres Farm," since he purchased it in 1932, E. R. Lewis, with his family, produce the largest seed potato crops in Alberta. The farm presents a handsome appearance on the Jasper Highway, with its drive, windbreak, well-planned farmyard, and modern, convenient buildings.

Born in Calgary 49 years ago, Mr. Lewis, after graduating B. Sc. from the University of Alberta, and marrying in 1929, took up his present farmstead site, where now the family reside. Jack, 20, is Alberta's plowing champion for 1952, with previous rec-

ords of success in this field. He graduated from Vermilion School of Agriculture last year and plans to take a degree in agriculture at the University. He is a member of Wheat, Barley and Swine and Beef Clubs of the district.

Interchange Hay and Potatoes

Father and son operating the farm interchange hay and potatoes on each piece of land, maintaining soil fertility. Using every device for labor saving, they combine an average of 150 sacks of potatoes to the acre. Tractors and other equipment are most modern. Two crops of hay are taken off per year. The seed barley averages 50 to 70 bushels. There is a herd of 15 purebred Shorthorns, purebred bull and 10 grade cattle; and there are plans for expansion. Feeder hogs are kept for pork. Most of the buildings are steel, including a root cellar which stores 10 carloads of potatoes, and the machine shop is thoroughly equipped.

The girls — 18-year-old Beth (who plans to be a nurse) and 10-year-old Carol, are proud to do their share with Mrs. Lewis in looking after the roomy, two-storey house in which steel is featured, with modern kitchen, and electricity for appliances. Beth is the gardener of the family, and Carol is proud of the sparkling white fence she painted, fronting the roadway.

Take Community Responsibility

Keenly devoted to their community, the Lewises have a large responsibility for its thriving organizations. Mr. Lewis's interests range from directing the Edmonton Square Dancing competition to that of the Stony Plain T.B. Free Area, and important offices in rural electrification, Farmers' Union, Alberta Wheat Pool (delegate), Agricultural Society, Swine and Grain Clubs, Shorthorn Breeders, U.F.A. Co-op, Edmonton District Co-op store, Northern Alberta Dairy Pool, and others, while he is an elder of Robertson United Church. Mrs. Lewis finds time for many activities also, and as a former Calgary piano teacher is passing on her aptitude to the children.

Schmalz Master Farm Family

The sheltering trees that enclose the farmstead and line the fields are more than an identifying landmark of the farm and home of the J. H. Schmalz family — the spruce, poplar, green ash and other trees testify to the determination and vision of the man who planted them 33 years ago on the bare stubble of a prairie farm; as the expertly ordered attractive household are to Mrs. Schmalz — the family sharing in the credit.

Born in North Dakota in 1893, Mr. Schmalz came to Alberta at the age of 13 with his parents. One of a

family of nine boys and one girl, he lived on a farm near his present home.

Business Training's Value

Recognizing the value of business training in farming he took business courses in Calgary, and after working on a share basis with his father, he married in 1919. He bought a quarter section from his father, who gave him another.

From the beginning, as he built his first two rooms and a flat roofed shack for a barn, and looked after his crops, he was determined to have trees. He planted 2,425 in 1923, and 2,450 in 1924. The solidly built farm buildings of today and the farm home are all attractive.

The Schmalz's have an average five-year acreage of wheat of 480, oats, 133, barley, 138. About 22.5 per cent or 270 of the total 1,200 acres are in forage and the cropping program is based on eight years cereal, four years summerfallow and four years grass. All non-tillable land is pasture, and manure and ammonium phosphate are used for fertilizer.

Crop yields are above the average for the Beiseker district, ten-year yield for Thatcher being 31, for Victory 46 and for Newell barley 56.

There is a herd of 32 Holsteins, 18 heifers and 10 calves, but two sons who help to operate the farm, Norman, 25 and Clarence, 24, have become interested in beef cattle and plan to raise Herefords. They share one-third of the net income of the farm. There are 72 Yorkshire hogs, and Leghorn poultry.

Two self-propelled combines, dump truck for loading grain, are among other first-class farm equipment.

Many Kitchen Activities

Mrs. Schmalz bakes eight loaves twice a week, makes butter, her own lard and soap and does extensive canning and preserving. One daughter and two sons are not living on the farm, but are making for themselves successful careers elsewhere.

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Mr. Schmalz's organizational activities are many, including the Wheat Pool and other farm bodies and Calgary Chamber of Commerce. He is active in the church. Mrs. Schmalz (Continued on Page 13)

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WORLD CHRONICLE

Oct. 2nd. — First major British atomic explosion touched off on islands north of Australia. Decision reserved on Canadian railways' application for freight rate increases on grain for domestic markets.

Oct. 3rd. — Asian Peace Conference, at Peking, draws up plan for Korean peace, including unconditional repatriation of all war prisoners, punishment of U.S. (for "waging bacteriological war"), and withdrawal of all foreign troops from Korea. Iran threatens diplomatic break with Britain, unless latest proposals for oil settlement are agreed to.

Oct. 4th. — Moscow demands recall of American Ambassador Kennan, charging him with slander: (he had compared life for American diplomats in Russia with internment by Nazi Germany.)

Oct. 5th. — Ridgway says NATO military strength is "dangerously inadequate." U.S. has "decided to wreck the peace," charges Malenkov, key-

note speaker at All-Soviet congress, in Moscow. Eden asks Mossadegh study further Churchill-Truman oil proposals of August 30th; ignores threat of diplomatic break. Vishinsky heads new Russian delegation to UN. Washington reports new allotment of Mutual Security Agency funds brings American aid to Britain to over \$237 millions for current year.

Oct. 6th. — Trygve Lie proposes recruiting of 60,000-man UN volunteer reserve. Australia ends government control of bank loans.

Oct. 7th. — U.S. marines fail in hard-fought effort to recapture important hill on western Korean front. Western Germany could build her own atomic pile if permitted, states Frankfurt scientist. Korean truce talks recessed indefinitely by UN delegation.

Oct. 8th. — North Korean forces break through hill defences near Chorwon on Korean western front. Commander of Canadian forces in Far East, Brig. Connelly, removed from post; action rumored connected with delay in notifying Ottawa of plan to send Canadians to Koje Island at time of riots there. In London, hearing opens of case concerning right

'Atomic Age' Ships Are Made Blast Resistant

LONDON, Eng. — The first "Atomic Age" ships are joining the Royal Navy. Forty streamlined anti-submarine frigates are being re-designed to withstand atomic attack. Their superstructures have been streamlined to present maximum resistance to atomic blast. The ship's companies will be under cover and sheltered from atomic radiation. The traditional bridge is replaced by an operations room with periscope to give views of all parts of the horizon.



ANTOINE PINAY \$136 millions in disputed royalties, part at beginning of meeting. Paris reports, Pinay rejects U.S. note regarding spending of U.S. aid funds.

Oct. 9th. — Threat of war is lessening, declare Eden and Alexander, at British Conservative party conference. South Korean troops recapture "White Horse Hill," north of Seoul.

Oct. 10th. — Chinese Communists regain ground on White Horse Hill. Ottawa announces \$1 per day above regular pay to be paid to Canadians who were imprisoned during war by Japanese or Germans. Greece to hold general elections November 16, announced. Iranian "Women's League" fights against demands of rigid Moslems that all women be veiled on the streets, as in the past.

Oct. 11th. — In Ottawa, Transport Commissioners give permission for gas pipe line from Peace River District of Alberta to point near Vancouver. Mossadegh appoints new foreign minister. India will buy 300,000 tons Canadian wheat at I.W.A. prices, announced.

Oct. 12th. — South Korean troops hold White Horse Hill in bitter see-saw fighting.

Oct. 13th. — Seoul despatch says "no direct evidence" found that U.S. planes accidentally bombed Greek troops, Sept. 28, as reported. Tehran announces anti-Mossadegh plot foiled by arrests of four leaders; charge plot was aided by foreigners. United Mine Workers' Union pledges support to Stevenson in U.S. presidential election. New economic aid plan for Yugoslavia agreed upon by U.S., France, Britain.

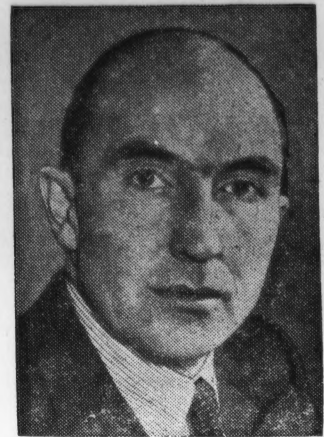
Oct. 14th. — Pearson elected president seventh session of UN, with 51 votes; four went to India's Madame Pandit; five countries abstained. Churchill declares third world war unlikely because it would be too devastating. Prince Abdel Monem, cousin of Farouk, named sole regent of Egypt. Solandt states British bomb tested last week was not hydrogen, as had been surmised in some quarters. C.C.F. leader Coldwell calls for national health scheme.

Oct. 15th. — In hard fighting, UN forces strive to regain initiative in Korea; gain Triangle Hill.

"Realists" Have Eyes on Past

"History has shown again and again that the self-styled realists are the real visionaries — for their eyes are fixed on a past that cannot be recaptured. It was Woodrow Wilson, with his dream of the League of Nations, who was the truly practical man — not the Old Guard who fought him. And in the fateful summer of 1940 it took the vision of a Churchill to see beyond Dunkerque to victory." — Adlai Stevenson.

New U.K. Ambassador



Forty-eight-year-old Sir Roger Makins, a career diplomat with a U.S.-born wife, has been chosen by the British government to succeed Sir Oliver Franks as its ambassador to the United States. Sir Roger plans to take up his duties in Washington at the end of the year. Sir Roger has an extensive knowledge of developments in the application of nuclear energy to the purposes of war and peace.

Winning of Libel Suit May Slow Up Use "Smear Technique"

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The National Farmers' Union recently received a cheque for \$27,800, awarded by a Federal jury, as damages for libel. The cheque was paid by the Utah Farm Bureau Federation which, in a leaflet issued during an election campaign two years ago, had referred to the N.F.U. as the "Communist dominated Farmers' Union." Commenting on the verdict, N.F.U. President James G. Patton declared "If this suit has in any small measure contributed to slowing up use of smear technique, we are naturally pleased."

ENTRIES FOR CHICAGO

Sending samples of wheat and flax, T. M. Allen, Jr., Taber, Alberta, was one of the two first Canadians to place entries in the International Livestock Exposition, to be held November 29th to December 6th at Chicago.

PLAN DANCE

Mrs. George McBean was hostess to twenty-five women at a recent meeting of Gleichen F.W.U.A., when plans were made for a dance to be held October 31st at Meadowbrook Hall, and raffle of a satin quilt.

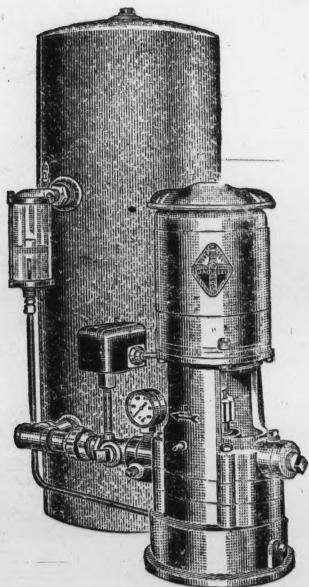
Modern Farmer Must Be Well Trained Man

A successful modern farmer must be a well-trained man, declares Dr. F. J. Greaney, in a recent bulletin of Line Elevators Farm Service. Young farm people who want to make a real investment in the future, he urges, should plan now to attend one of the courses in Agriculture that will be offered this fall and winter by the Schools of Agriculture, and Agricultural Colleges, in Western Canada. In addition to the "Diploma" courses in agriculture, he points out, there are many short course in agriculture and home economics, especially designed for the convenience of farm men and women.

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Good Progress Made by New Co-operative

Fire and Casualty Company Opens Alberta Branches

Good progress has been made by the Co-operative Fire and Casualty Insurance Company since it commenced writing business on July 1st of this year, the Manager of the Company, E. E. Garnett, advised *The Western Farm Leader* on the occasion of a recent visit to Alberta from the head office of the Company in Regina.

The Company is writing fire and automobile insurance, and a number of co-operative organizations and their members, Mr. Garnett reported, have indicated their active interest by placing their business with the company, as have also new members who as individuals have obtained protection through the co-operative.

Every person who obtains this protection automatically becomes a member with voting rights.

Branches of the Company were recently opened in Alberta, with T. W. Frampton in charge as inspector, at 303 Foothills Building, Calgary, and R. Halen in charge as inspector at 402 Northern Hardware Building, Edmonton. Licenses have also been obtained in the Provinces of Saskatchewan, British Columbia, Manitoba and the Maritimes, and the Company will operate across Canada.

As announced in our issue of July 18th, \$200,000 in cash and \$125,000 in subscribed capital were required to start the Company, which is incorporated by a special act of the Canadian Parliament.

Reviewers' Interest Continues in Book on Henry Wise Wood

Some months ago we had the good fortune to publish in these columns a review by Leonard D. Nesbitt of the book "Henry Wise Wood" written by William Kirby Rolfe.

The life of the great farm leader is of course of especial interest to Albertans who remember the rise of the 'farm movement in this Province, and particularly those who in one way or in another were influenced by or concerned in the work for the farm people of Dr. Wood, who was for many years President of the United Farmers of Alberta, and who was the first Chairman of the Board of the Alberta Wheat Pool.

In Places Far Afield

It is noteworthy that Professor Rolfe's biography continues to absorb the attention of students of farm conditions and of social philosophy in many places far afield. One of the most valuable reviews has appeared in "The Mississippi Valley Historical Review" devoted to research. Written by Professor Paul F. Sharp of the Iowa State College, the review is reprinted below:

Professor Sharp's Review

This the most recent addition to the growing literature on Western Canadian agrarianism is the biography of Missouri-born, ex-Populist Henry Wise Wood, who joined the mass migration of American farmers to Alberta in 1905. There he found success and world acclaim as the agrarian philosopher who helped create and lead the United Farmers of Alberta and the Wheat Pool movement of the 1920's.

Though his career in Alberta began in the afternoon of life Wood won the devoted loyalty of prairie farmers through his completely selfless leadership, his unquestioned sincerity, and his profound wisdom. This "uncrowned King of Alberta" was often called a Canadian Abraham Lincoln—a comparison not without justification in view of his racial stock, Lincolnnesque physique, earthy humor, and devotion to humanity.

Henry Wise Wood's rise to leadership was firmly based on a keen understanding of the economic problems of prairie farmers. His formulation of a "group government" concept of economic and political action fitted the discontent and restlessness which swept Alberta following World War I.

Firm Leadership Created Strong Movement

His firm leadership created in the U.F.A. a well-organized, well-disciplined movement which controlled the Province from 1921 to 1935. His unswerving devotion to the principles of voluntary co-operation to solve marketing problems laid the foundations for the Wheat Pool movements. The success of these organizations were a tribute to Wood's skill as organizer, businessman, administrator, eloquent spokesman, and prophet. The early chapters which describe these events add little by way of new information or interpretation to what has already been told.

It is in the later chapters that Dr. Rolfe's study makes substantial contributions. His firm analysis of Wood's role in the Progressive party and in the creation, organization, and administration of the Wheat Pools throws light on the history of these movements. American readers will find Dr. Rolfe's treatment of the hostility and bitterness between Aaron Sapiro and Wood of particular interest.

Wood's Contributions

Dr. Rolfe properly concludes that Wood's contributions were his formulation of an agrarian philosophy of economic and political action to protect the individual against the forces of "organized plutocracy" and his uniquely powerful personality which left

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an indelible impression upon succeeding movements in Western Canada. "It is Henry Wise Wood the man, who will be remembered long after his deeds have been forgotten." Unfortunately, Wood the man, is only partially revealed in this biography. This is not entirely the author's failure, for the paucity of private papers, correspondence, and diaries determined that this would be the public career

of Henry Wise Wood, as revealed through public records.

Other Reviews

Another interesting review of "Henry Wise Wood" has appeared in the "University of Toronto Quarterly," while The Canadian Forum of Toronto carried a lengthy review.

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Dr. Keenleyside Gives Us Food for Thought

Dear Farm Women:

Does it sometimes seem to you that there are several words we hear today much more frequently than in the old days? No doubt if we stopped and asked each other what some of them were, some would differ, but would you not all agree that the word "million" is one very much to the fore?

Some Not So Happily Placed

This year we are hearing much of the millions of bushels of grain on the Western prairies, which is a pleasing record. However, many times the figures are not so happily placed. Over and over again we note of some millions of dollars expended for some thing for which we know the basic reason is destruction. We have been told that we who deal in much smaller amounts, who have not the intimate acquaintance with the figures, can not grasp the immensity of it all. I wonder if it is not as well sometimes. I wonder if we would not be overwhelmed with the allocation of some of the figures. Or would it have the opposite effect? Would it bestir us to take a more active part in helping find the right column where these huge sums should be listed?

Dr. Keenleyside's Figures

Possibly you read some of the comments of Dr. Hugh Keenleyside, who is Director-General of the United Nations Technical Aid Administration, or heard him on the radio commenting on the help the Western world is giving the under-developed, backward nations. The aim is to give them

help to help themselves with our more modern methods, more modern tools. However, Dr. Keenleyside made the further statement that for every dollar the Western world spent with this constructive aim in mind, one hundred dollars was spent in defence. And after the explosion of the last atomic bomb, I noted that some English papers were quoted as saying that England had now regained her place as a first class power. Is all this the mark of a highly-civilized world?

At every hand we hear sums in the millions being spent where the motive behind the expenditure is for destructive efforts and not for the constructive use of mankind. There are many and many of us who earnestly ask what small part we can play in helping our civilization to turn from this code, which seems to prevail the world over today, to one of helpful neighborliness in our former great world now grown small. Earnestly we hope that individuals and nations will work to that end.

The Kon-Tiki Expedition

And speaking of today's world reminds me of the book I am reading and finding intensely interesting. It is the story of the Kon-Tiki Expedition (Allen and Unwin). Probably many of you have read it for it has been most popular. But to those who have not, I shall simply say it is the story of an expedition of six men who set out on a raft from Peru to travel over four thousand miles to some Polynesian Islands. The intent was to vindicate the writer's theory that the inhabitants of these Islands must have come in that self-same way all those miles in the long distant past. It is most interestingly written, and I am sure if any of you have not read it, you will thoroughly enjoy this glimpse into the past as well as at the most unusual present.

Yours sincerely,

H. ZELLA SPENCER.

FARM HOME & GARDEN

Storing Potatoes: After harvesting, potatoes should be kept for a week to ten days in a temperature of from 60 to 70 degrees; then they should be placed in a cellar with temperature of around 40 degrees—no lower; and about two weeks before using they should be moved into a temperature of 60 to 70 degrees, recommends the Department of Agriculture.

Green Tomato Mincemeat: Chop fine 8 quarts of green tomatoes; drain off juice in colander. Add 15 apples, peeled and chopped, 2 cups suet, 1 lb. each raisins and currants, ½ lb. mixed peel, 5 lbs. brown sugar, and 2 tsp. each cinnamon, salt, nutmeg and cloves; 1 cup each vinegar and fruit juice. Boil 2 hours, then seal in sterile jars.

Grape Jelly: Crush a good four quarts of ripe blue grapes and add ½ cup water; simmer 5 or 10 minutes, turn into sieve. Drain off 4 cups juice, add 7½ cups sugar, bring to boil, stir in half bottle liquid pectin, bring again to boil, and boil hard for half a minute; skim, and pour into sterilized jars. Then rub the remaining grapes to secure 4½ cups for

Grape Butter: To the pulp add 7 cups sugar; stir constantly over hot fire until it comes to the boiling point; boil for 1 minute, then add half bottle liquid pectin, and pour into sterilized jars.

News of Women's Locals

Adrossan F.W.U.A. favor the family membership fee, reports Mrs. Horton, secretary.

Standard F.W.U.A. recently donated \$10 to the Salvation Army, reports Mrs. Elias, secretary.

A lively discussion of various suggestions for making money marked a recent meeting of Warner F.W.U.A., writes Mrs. G. Doenz, the secretary, but a decision was deferred to a later meeting.

Mrs. Stevenett was guest speaker at a recent meeting of Edwell F.W.U.A. (Penhold), giving a report on the Presidents' conference held in Olds, writes Mrs. Cossins, the secretary. Plans were made for the Fall Get-Together at Edwell.

"For Good Causes", Fleet F.W.U.A. arranged at their October meeting to sponsor an Old Time Dance, writes Mrs. Chas. Mills, secretary. The Local are entering the Action Contest, and have sent \$5 to the Help Korea campaign.

Mrs. J. Tanner, president of Conrich F.W.U.A., opened a recent meeting with a memorial to a former member, Mrs. H. Whittaker, whose death had occurred shortly before. Mrs. N. Gowdy then gave a very full and interesting report on the C.A.C., writes Mrs. K. Carlyle, the secretary.

Veteran F.W.U.A. arranged at a
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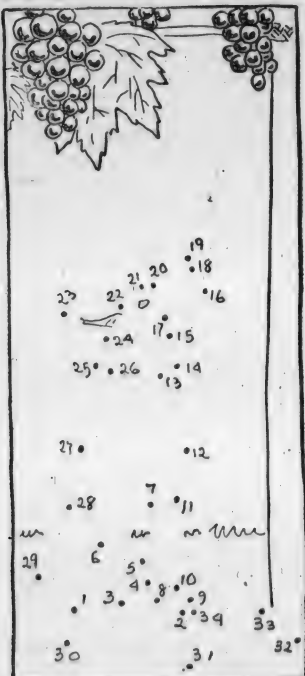


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WOMEN'S LOCALS

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recent meeting, held at the home of Mrs. Jack, to send a delegate and a handicraft exhibit to the Annual Convention, and to enter the Action Contest; they also voted \$10 to the Canadian Institute for the Blind.

At a recent meeting of Viking South F.W.U.A., at the home of Mrs. T. Holand, the report of District 8 convention was read. Mrs. L. Lansing, secretary, writes that \$13.55 was taken in for lunch served at the convention, of which \$5 was donated to the Salvation Army.

Members of Wild Rose F.W.U.A. (Carolside) have expressed approval of the Action Contest recently initiated

dot number thirty-four, and you will see who said this. Complete this picture with your orayons.

ed by the Provincial Board. (In this contest, points are awarded for membership, attendance, published reports, delegations to conventions, community activities, etc., and cash prizes offered.)

Spruceville F.W.U.A. (Lacombe) met recently at the home of Mrs. J. Hutchison, after the meeting had been postponed three times on account of the polio epidemic. Arrangements were made to hold the annual turkey supper in the community hall on November 14th. Mrs. Kasha writes that Mrs. I. Gottschlich gave an excellent report on her stay at the Olds Farm Women's Rest Week. Earlier, these ladies entertained two neighboring women's groups at a social afternoon.

The use of diphtheria toxoid has reduced deaths from this disease in Canada, from 1,297 in 1921 to 33 in 1951.

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Veterinary Questions and Answers

By S. H. McClelland V.S.

Cow Is Hard To Milk

J.H.T., St. Paul — I bought a cow at a sale, which I find is very hard to milk. Could you suggest what might be done to remedy this condition? Would you advise the use of teat expanders, those tubular, needle-like instruments that are used to expand the hole in the teat?

Ans. — Regarding the use of teat expanders to remedy hard milking cows, it is possible the condition may be corrected to some extent by such an instrument, provided it has been previously sterilised and the end of the teat carefully washed with alcohol or a suitable antiseptic. There are, however, various conditions which would interfere with milking, and it is possible that the teat expander may not correct the condition. I would advise you to have your veterinarian examine the cow and perform such operations as may be necessary. If the hard milking is due to a circular muscle around the end of the teat, we prefer to cut this muscle in about three places. Such an operation usually shows immedi-

ate results and results in permanent improvement.

When A Bull Calf Is Vaccinated

C.A.M., Penhold — Will you please tell me if vaccinating a bull calf for Bangs disease would have the effect of making him sterile when he reaches maturity?

Ans. — There is no evidence to show that a bull calf vaccinated for Bangs with Strain 19 will suffer any harmful effect.

Wanted — A Slogan

The Council of Canadian Beef Producers, 28 Michael Building, Calgary, is looking for a slogan. It should be short and snappy and convey the idea that beef is tops as a food. The present slogan is "With beef, every meal's a banquet", but the Council believes that can be improved upon. Prizes of a carving set, a meat thermometer, and books, are offered; all slogans submitted become the property of the Council. Deadline is October 20th.

Expect Big Crop

BUENOS AIRES. — Prospects are for an excellent wheat crop in Argentina. Forecasts range up to 255 million bushels, in contrast to the last crop of only 75 millions.

The Wheat Situation

By LEONARD D. NESBITT
Superintendent of Publicity
Alberta Wheat Pool

The year 1952 should be long remembered by the farm people of Western Canada. It provided wonderful early spring weather which enabled farmers in the Prairie Provinces to complete the harvesting of the 1951 crop. A wet early spring would have resulted in the loss of possibly hundreds of millions of bushels of grain.

This year also witnessed ample rainfall resulting in a record breaking crop. Never before has the West come through to 650 million bushels of wheat. Then, ideal harvesting weather has enabled the farmers to get off the bulk of this crop, although most of it has had to be piled on the ground.

Problem of Surplus

The problem now is to dispose of the surplus Canadian wheat, which appears to be around 730 million bushels. It looks like the Wheat Board will be fortunate to export 400 million bushels and leave a carryover in the neighborhood of 330 million bushels.

The favorable features in the marketing situation are: this year's crop has been harvested in good condition and the protein content, while below the average, was substantially higher than that of the U.S. winter wheat crop; Australia and Argentina will not have large surpluses of wheat available for export; large areas of the United States winter wheat region are dry and seeding is curtailed; prospects indicate possible demand for our 730 million bushels in wheat importing countries.

The disturbing features: The United States has 852 million bushels of wheat available for export and carryover and could provide 552 million bushels of wheat for export and still have a carryover of over 300 million bushels; Europe appears to have harvested a good crop of wheat and demand may not be nearly as keen as in the past few years; there is a widespread feeling that world wheat production is catching up with demand and the years of scarcity may be approaching an end.

Meat Fair Oct. 22nd.

A Meat Fair will be held in the Corral, Calgary, on October 22nd, announces Grant MacEwan, manager of Canadian Beef Producers (Western Section), who are sponsoring the event in co-operation with the Local Council of Women. It is a complete innovation, states Mr. MacEwan, and will represent an educational undertaking. A special effort will be made to demonstrate quality in meats, characteristics of the various cuts and their nutritional values. The date coincides with the annual fall show and sales of livestock at Calgary, so that rural people as well as urban may attend.

Freight Car Came Back

WINNIPEG — When C.N.R. freight car 423436 carried barley for United Grain Growers from Hubbell, Manitoba, to Port Arthur, where it was unloaded August 26th, it was definitely a long chance that the same car would carry the same kind of grain for the same company from the same town to the same terminal. But that is exactly what happened and the second trip was completed September 10th. The C.N.R., state officials here, has more than 26,000 box cars in service in the western region.

Britain will buy Russian grain from the 1952 crop, under a new agreement reported to be nearly completed. Britain bought a million tons of grain from the U.S.S.R. under the last agreement.

Livestock Markets Review

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Oct. 15th. — Hogs sold yesterday \$23.75, sows \$14; good lambs \$19.25. Good light butcher steers sold \$20 to \$22.50, down to \$14.50 for common; good to choice heavy butcher steers \$23.50 to \$25.50. Good butcher heifers, \$19.50 to \$20.50, down to \$14; good cows, \$11 to \$12, down to \$9.50 for common; canners and cutters \$7.50 to \$9.25.

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, Oct. 14th. — Auction-bidding was slow during most of last week. Medium to good lightweight steers ranged from \$17 to \$21, and heifers of this quality \$16 to \$19. No real activity is showing yet in replacement stock. Grade A hogs dropped Friday to \$24.75 for shipment.

The Dairy Market

An advance of one cent brings cream prices, to producers, to 63 for Special, 61 for No. 1, 52 for No. 2, and 46 for off-grade. Prints are 63 cents wholesale.

Egg and Poultry Market

Prices to producers, locally, are for A1, 55 large, 48 medium and 30 small; A, large 50, medium 43 and small 25; B are 30, C 22, crax 19 and peewees 15. Dressed chickens, over 5 lbs., are 36 for A, 26 for B and 19 for C; under 5 lbs., 32 down to 15. Dressed fowl, over 5 lbs., 23 down to 13; 4 to 5 lbs., 20 down to 11; under 4 lbs., 17 down to 8.

Directs New Program



Opening of a new series of 45-minute programs entitled "Trans-Canada Matinee" took place recently, with Elizabeth Long, above, Supervisor of Women's Interests for the CBC, in charge. The program appeals to afternoon listeners and includes discussions, talks and news on current topics of interest, along with music and a few helpful hints for housewives. Miss Long has figured prominently in promoting the interests of Canadian women. For many years she has had considerable experience in the field of journalism and in national women's groups and several of her articles have appeared in leading magazines.

Good Cheese

A sample of Canadian cheese was recently received by The Western Farm Leader from The Dairy Farmers of Canada. Light in color and mild in flavor, it was similar to Swiss imported cheese, and was voted delicious by all who tasted it.

A Canadian-bred Holstein, Mollie Dale Teake, was grand champion at the biggest Holstein show on this continent since 1926 — New York State Fair, with 403 head on display. Mollie was bred by W. S. Aykroyd, Inverary, Ontario.

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A.F.A. NOTES

By JAMES R. McFALL, Secretary
A.F.A. Annual Meeting

The rush of the 1952 harvest will soon be over. More and more are the reports coming in, with a sigh of relief — we have finished:

It will soon be time for farm people to turn their attention to other farm business through the medium of local and annual meetings.

In the previous edition of these notes we listed dates of a number of important meetings to be held this fall. The last of these is the Alberta Federation of Agriculture annual meeting to be held in Edmonton on December 17th, 18th and 19th.

Previous to this time the United Grain Growers, the United Farmers' of Alberta Co-operative, the Alberta Association of Municipal districts, the Alberta Wheat Pool and the Farmers' Union of Alberta will hold their annual meetings. These organizations deal with many and varied questions. Their first responsibility is to deal with their own business operation and questions of internal policy, but emanating from these considerations are questions of wider interest and scope. These in most instances require consideration by a wider representation if the decisions reached are to represent the co-ordinated and consolidated opinion of Alberta Farmers.

Representatives of 50 Farm Bodies

As all our major farm organizations are affiliated under the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, these broader issues are referred to the A.F.A. annual meeting. In this way the final decision is the considered opinion of delegates representing over fifty different organizations, with varied specific interests. In other words, an issue may arise from, say for example, one of our grain organizations, but the issue in question may also affect livestock interests. While there are many livestock men in the delegate bodies and directors of our grain organizations, it is still important that men charged with livestock interests be given an opportunity to express their opinion, and cast their votes in favor or against the issue in question.

This is the function performed by the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, and when an issue has inter-provincial aspects it is reconsidered with representatives from the other three Western Federations through the Western Agricultural Conference. When national interests enter into the picture, the consolidated western opinion is referred to the Canadian Federation of Agriculture.

Thus the Alberta Federation of Agriculture speaks for the vast majority of Alberta Farmers. The Western Agricultural Conference represents Western farm opinion and the Canadian Federation of Agriculture in turn is the National voice for Canadian farmers from coast to coast.

With this background one can realize the importance and responsibility placed on the Alberta Federation of Agricultural Annual Meeting, and the delegates present. It also stresses the importance of all farm organizations affiliated with the Federation having full delegate representation present when the twelfth annual meeting convenes in the Masonic Temple, Edmonton, on December 17th.

Listen to "ON THE FARM FRONT" the farmers' own program heard, daily Monday through Friday at 12:20 noon over C.F.C.N. Calgary and CFRN Edmonton, for more convention details.

OTTAWA LETTER

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the United States, under the tripartite arrangement by which Canadian meat is shipped to Britain and New Zealand meat originally intended for Britain is shipped to United States markets, is running into competitive American

prices. It is difficult to sell when a lot of meat is available, and prices across the border are not high at this time.

It could never have been anticipated that such a large scale diversion in international trade could have run like "clock work", and unquestionably the present difficulty will straighten itself out. It simply means some delay in winding up the program. In the meantime, Canada has passed the minimum figure in its purchases for the British market, and this has been of incalculable value to the cattle industry in Canada by helping to offset the effects of the foot-and-mouth disease.

Embargo Situation Unchanged

There is nothing to report on the status of the U.S. embargo on Canadian cattle which was put on at the outbreak of the disease. At this time, the lifting of the embargo would be of little value to the Canadian farmers as the range of prices in the U.S. offers no inducement for the sale of our cattle, taking into account the premium on the Canadian dollar and freight costs. In any event, there is simply no movement afoot on the embargo's removal. It is a matter for the U.S. authorities. Canada, would, of course, be glad to have the open market as a continuing situation, but it was quite a period before the embargo on Mexican cattle was raised. That must be kept in mind.

This year 3,288 men went West from Ontario and Quebec to assist in harvesting of the record grain crop. The men were transported under the Federal-Provincial Farm Labor Agreements, to Winnipeg and from there distributed through the three Provinces. Men are now shifted to Northern Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Distributing Pool Surpluses

A final accounting has been made of the 1951-52 wheat, oats and barley pool. There is a surplus to be distributed. The Canadian Wheat Board will start sending out the final payment cheques on the 1951-52 oats pool, today, October 15th. The final payment on the barley pool will follow, and finally there will be the distribution of the wheat pool surplus.

The final payment on the principal grades of oats are announced. The producers delivered 133,135,187 bushels, and the surplus for distribution is \$24,746,258.79, the average payment being 18.587 cents a bushel. For grade 2 C.W. oats, the final payment is 18.614 cents, number 3 C.W. oats 18.733 cents, Extra No. 1 Feed Oats 18.375 cents, No. 1 feed oats 18.375 cents and No. 1 Feed Oats 17.585 cents.

The total prices (basis in store, head of Great Lakes) after deduction of carrying charges in elevators, drying and reconditioning costs and board administrative costs, etc., but exclusive of the 1 per cent prairie farm assistance tax levy, are 83.802 cents for No. 2 C.W. Oats; 80.922 cents for No. 3 C.W. Oats; 80.560 for extra No. 1 Feed Oats and 77.762 for No. 1 Feed Oats.

Later announcements will be made giving figures of barley and wheat.

MASTER FARM FAMILIES

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is also an active worker in the community and a member of the Catholic Women's League.

Cole Master Farm Family

"Greencove Grain and Stock Farm, J. F. Cole and Sons", is a most attractive place. It is a section of gently rolling land, partly wooded, close to the town of Clive.

It has been planned to suit the needs of a registered herd of Herefords which the sons of the family — Gerald, Ronald and Allan, aged 22, 18 and 14 respectively — expect to perpetuate.

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slopes. The natural shelterbelts are being supplemented by trees planted along the fences dividing the fields.

Born at Creston, Washington, Mr. Cole came to Brownfield, near Coronation, (with his father, who took up a section). He bought his own farm seven years ago. It was run down and weedy, after many years of straight grain production. It has been built up by the use of grass and legumes; a quarter of the land is kept planted to these crops. In addition, barley, oats and wheat are produced. The Herefords number 81 head — 25 of them are purebred — and there are 12 Yorkshire sows and a flock of about a hundred chickens.

Boys Active in Club Work

The eldest son, now entering his third year in agriculture at the University, operates the original family farm at Brownfield. Ronald is a graduate of Olds School of Agriculture. All three boys have been active in grain, forage, and calf clubs, and the elder two have held office in the Baptist Young People's Association.

Ill-health has prevented Mrs. Cole from taking active part in community organizations, but she has made good use of earlier bookkeeping experience to keep detailed and accurate records of the farming operations. Seven-year-old Margaret is a capable little helper in the home.

Besides being deacon and treasurer of the Clive Baptist Church, Mr. Cole is director of the district telephone association and secretary-treasurer of the rural electrification association. He is a director of the local agricultural society and supervisor of boys' grain clubs in the district.

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How much has the Provincial Debt been reduced?

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MUSTARD AND CRESS

By SYDNEY MAY

Hello, Folks!

News item states that in a demand note to the Rector of Morden, Surrey, the town council stated that if the rates for the graveyard were not paid by a certain date the money would be sought from the "Occupiers of the premises concerned." In which case it's bound to be a DEAD loss.

Franz Binder, a brewer, has been crowned Beer King of Munich, Germany, after drinking six pints of beer in five minutes in a contest. The rest of the contestants were doubtless content to remain in the Beerage.

At Woking a man wrote to the Surrey magistrates saying that he could not appear in court because he was getting married that morning. He was fined five bucks. And that, snorts Wally, our incurable bach., is giving a guy a double sentence.

JIMENEZ CRICKET!

In 40 minutes Jose Jimenez, of Corunna, Spain, ate 36 boiled eggs, steak and chips, fruit, and drank two bottles of wines. Just an old Spanish custom, we suppose.

TODAY'S DEFINITION

DICE — Shake well before losing.

THIS IS TERRIBLE

Two old pals met at Banff. Said one, moodily: "My wife is down here today."

"Is she?" said the other. "I've never met your wife."

"Hell's bells, you're lucky. Wish I hadn't."

— Thenx to Wally.

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May West's famous invitation:
The "Come up and see me" phrase.

MORE ABOUT MALVINA

Through storm and stress and atom Blasts,

I'll always treasure this little curl,

Knowing it grew upon the head

Of a very beautiful girl.

AFRICA SPEEDS

In hottest Africa we met to bill and coo;

The night was very black and so, my dear, were you.

It seems in no time flat we had about a score

Of little piccaninnies dancing on the floor.

—Volodimir Barabash.

"SOCCER STAR WEDS FAN"—headline in a London paper. That should enable him to keep cool.

British Post Officials declare that a postman's job is too tough for women. Naturally, it's essentially a job for the Malls.

Love is like a help yourself cafe, says a London columnist. Yep, you grab the first dish and pay for it afterwards.

NOW YOU TELL ONE!

Near Sydney, N.S.W., Australia, two anglers in a dinghy, were chased by

a circling torpedo that was under test. Evidently they didn't have the right bait for tin fish.

Add Similes: "As silent as the switchboard operator who listens in on your conversation."

According to a writer on Film topics, Rita Hayworth in her new comeback film, *Affair in Trinidad*, sings a song entitled, "I've been kissed before." Encore, Rita, Encore!

A pair of trousers he bought for his wedding 54 years ago, were taken by a Cheshire farmer to a Nantwich tailor for alteration. "They don't fit me," he said. That guy couldn't bear to be waistful.

ISN'T IT ONLY TOO OBVIOUS

"There are possibly only a dozen films a year which you have to be an actor. In others the director does most of the work for you. 'THERE IS NOT MUCH NEED FOR AN ACTOR IN FILMS.'"

—Film Actor, Charlton Neston.

In other words, real actors should be heard but not screened.

ANYBODY WANT A JOB?

We see by the papers that a British housewife has posted the following notice on a wall in her home:

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POCKET MONEY: Ditto.

HELP: None at all except half an hour Sunday morning.

DUTIES: Shopping, washing, ironing, housework, darning, running errands, looking after two children, cooking, serving cups of tea in bed.

APPLY any time you like, as present holder of job is getting "brahned orf."

Perhaps Wally, our incurable bach., would like to comment on that.

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Twenty-eight Nations Represented in IFAP

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Twenty-eight nations are now represented in the I.F.A.P. (International Federation of Agricultural Producers), though the number of organizations represented is 36. Canada speaks through one organization, the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, but farmers of the United States have their representation divided among four — the American Farm Bureau Federation, the National Farmers' Union, the National Council of Farmer Co-operatives, and the National Grange. Belgium, Western Germany, Norway and Sweden have each two organizations, while the United Kingdom speaks through the National Farmers' Unions of England and Wales, Scotland, and Ulster.

Grow Given New Job

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Major-General Robert W. Grow, who was court-martialled several months ago for writing military secrets in his diary and leaving it where it was removed for photographing by Russian agents, has been given a new job in the office of Military History, in the Pentagon Building at Washington.

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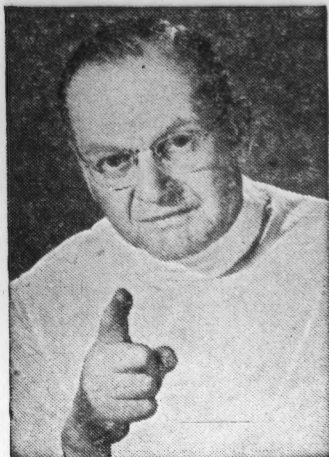
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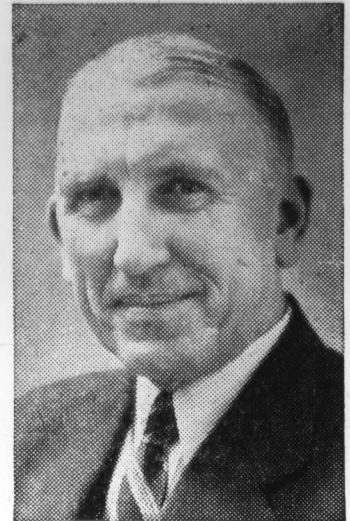
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